

# Toll-free 1860 number

1860 toll-charged customer care numbers.

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^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}$
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## Token-by-token breakdown

| Token    | Meaning                                         |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| ^        | start of string (or line in multiline mode)     |
| 1860     | literal text "1860"                             |
| [\s\ -]? | optional (zero or one): any of: whitespace, "-" |
| \d{2,3}  | between 2 and 3 times: digit (0–9)              |
| [\s\ -]? | optional (zero or one): any of: whitespace, "-" |
| \d{4,7}  | between 4 and 7 times: digit (0–9)              |
| \$       | end of string (or line in multiline mode)       |

## Quick usage in 7 languages

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|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>JavaScript</b> | <pre>const re = /^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$/;<br/>re.test(value);</pre>                  |
| <b>Python</b>     | <pre>import re<br/>re.match(r"^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$", value)</pre>                  |
| <b>Java</b>       | <pre>Pattern.compile("^1860[\\s\\ -]?\\d{2,3}[\\s\\ -]?\\d{4,7}\$").matcher(value).matches();</pre> |
| <b>C# / .NET</b>  | <pre>Regex.IsMatch(value, @"^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$");</pre>                          |
| <b>Go</b>         | <pre>regexp.MustCompile(`^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$`).MatchString(value)</pre>           |
| <b>Ruby</b>       | <pre>/^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$/ .match?(value)</pre>                                   |
| <b>PHP</b>        | <pre>preg_match('~^1860[\s\ -]?\d{2,3}[\s\ -]?\d{4,7}\$~', \$value);</pre>                          |

## Common pitfalls

- **Anchored to the whole string.** This pattern uses ^ and \$, so it requires the entire input to match. To find it inside a longer text, drop the anchors and use the global (g) flag.
- **Escape it correctly per language.** In Java and JavaScript strings each backslash must be doubled (\d); in Python, Go, and C# use raw/verbatim strings so the backslashes survive.
- **Validate beyond format.** Matching the format doesn't guarantee the value is real. Confirm the toll-free 1860 number against a source of truth (database, API, or checksum) where it matters.